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Applicants: Tran et al.

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114, for the above identified application.

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1. This request is being submitted:
  - i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
  - ii. ☐ With payment of the issue fee
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    - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 has been granted
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